

IN THE SPECIFICATION

*Please replace paragraph [0050] with the following (see Appendix 1 for changes):*

*B* [0050] As Fig. 1 illustrates in the first embodiment of the invention, a ring 5 of sound-absorbing material, situated inside the sealed interior space between the tire 4 and the wheel rim 1, is wrapped around and seated on the wheel rim 1. Open-pore foamed materials particularly well suited for air sound absorption, for example polyurethane (PU) foams with a weight around 50 kg/m<sup>3</sup> and a mean pore content of approximately 2 mm<sup>3</sup>, as well as other effective sound-absorbing materials such as felt, absorbing cotton, and materials of similar structure can be considered as starting material for the ring 5. In describing the invention, the following only makes reference to foamed material rings but it is, as mentioned earlier, also possible to use other materials.

IN THE CLAIMS

*Please amend claim 19 as follows (see Appendix 2 for changes):*

*B2* 19. (Amended) The motor vehicle wheel in accordance with claim 18, wherein the open-pore foamed material comprises a polyurethane (PU) foam.